



Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2018
3rd Floor Jury Room, Courthouse Building
12:00 p.m.

Mission: The CJCC exists to promote the safety of the citizens of Lewis and Clark County, the efficient and just treatment of offenders, the protection and healing of victims, and to work toward prevention of crime and the reduction of recidivism.

1. Call to Order & Reading of the Mission

Chief McGee called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. Judge Menahan arrived immediately after to Chair the meeting.

Members present: Judge Michael Menahan (Chair), Suzanne Seburn (Vice-Chair), Commissioner Susan Good Geise for Commissioner Andy Hunthausen, Chief Troy McGee, Sheriff Leo Dutton, Christin Thennis, Leo Gallagher, Dennis Taylor, and Sharon Tregidga.

Members excused: Mayor James Schell.

Members absent: Justice Michael Swingley, Judge Bob Wood, and Kody Ramler.

Others in attendance included: Roger Baltz, Undersheriff Jason Grimmis, Sgt. Scott Ferguson, Leo Gallagher, Kellie McBride, Gloria Soja, Tom Cordingly, Kiley Gage, Roger Baltz, Curt Chisholm, and Charles Lane.

2. Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the May 23, 2018 meeting and the minutes for the June 27, 2018 meeting were approved.

3. Dashboard Update on Criminal Justice Services – Kellie McBride

Kellie McBride provided a written update which she reviewed with the Council (see document attached to these minutes).

Ms. McBride confirmed for Commissioner Good Geise that all pretrial service clients can receive text message court reminders.

Sheriff Dutton expressed support for the commissioners to formally adopt the jail standards. Council discussed the 2007 interim committee proposal on suicide in jails and the subsequent development of the Jail Peer Review system.

Commissioner Good Geise requested the reasoning for the Early Childhood Intervention focus on children age 0-3 years. Ms. McBride confirmed that research showed this age group had the greatest potential for impact.

4. Quick Overview of National Network of Criminal Justice Coordinating Council's Annual Meeting – Kellie McBride

Kellie McBride provided a written update which she reviewed with the Council (see document attached to these minutes). Ms. McBride encouraged members to consider attending this national meeting in the future.

5. Request to Update the Mission Statement

Kellie McBride requested that the Council add “defendants” to the mission statement, to read: “...just treatment of defendants and offenders...” Commissioner Good Geise made a motion that this recommended change be accepted. The motion was seconded by Sharon Tregidga. The motion was approved.

6. Citizens Advisory Council – Cur Chisolm, CAC Chair

Curt Chisolm expressed that he was happy to hear that the jail standards are moving forward. He reminded everyone about an e-mail sent by Gary Mihelish regarding suicide screening at the jail. Kellie McBride expressed that she is already working with Sergeant Ferguson on obtaining information about what is currently done at the jail.

7. Strategic Planning and Moving Forward

Kellie McBride proposed that the group look at doing a strategic planning session with the Citizens Advisory Council in February. Having a strategic plan would aid the Department with decision making. Ms. McBride encouraged the Council to think about what programs or issues they would like to see addressed over the next three to five years. The Council discussed possible areas to focus on, as well as the need to get organized for the upcoming legislative session.

8. Public Comment

No public comment received.

7. Next Meeting: August 22, 2018

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:57 p.m.